AUTOMATED MANAGEMENT OF BUSINESS PERFORMANCE INFORMATION ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention provides systems and methods for obtaining, standardizing, aggregating, analyzing, reporting and delivering financial and operational information associated with one or more businesses. Business performance information having a user-defined format is obtained from a business and is standardized by mapping to a standard format, preferably using an automated process. Various analysis techniques may be performed on the converted business performance information and one or more performance reports and/or alerts may be generated and delivered. The standardized performance information also may be provided to requesting parties for additional processing. The present invention also provides a system and method for maintaining a database of aggregated, standardized business performance information from a plurality of businesses. Performance information from a particular business may be compared to representative performance metrics derived from the aggregated performance information to benchmark the performance of the particular business relative to similar businesses.

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